of Naples warmly espouses the proposition; France and England have not jet given any answer on the subject.

ELIZABETH-TOWN, September 20.

By London papers as late as the 4th of August, received by the last packet, we learn, that his Britannic majesty was very near being aff-sfinated by a woman, who, putting herself in a position, with a paper in her hind, as if to present a petition to his majesty as he alightes from his carriage at the garden gate of St James's, ftruck at him with an open knife, bur missed her aim. It has put the whole nation in a ferment. The woman is faid to be insane.— That Mr. Adams, our plenipotentiary at the court of London, has taken his leave and gone to the court of Madrid on private affairs.

On the 28th ult. the governor of the ifl nd of St. Bartholomew received advice that a war be tween Denmark and Sweden was inevitable, as a free passage of the Sound was demanded.

PHILADELPHIA, September 22.

Captain Lowry, of the schooner Happy Return, who arrived here the 7th inft. informs us, that on Sunday the 30th of July, on his p flage from Georgia to Rhode-Island, in let. 37 43. Chincotegue shoals bearing W. N. W. usstant 7 leagues -- he faw the bottom of a veisel, which appeared to have been a ship, burned down to the water's edge; a white bottom, head burned off; great numbers of staves washing out of the lower deck hatches overboard. The wind had been in the east and north-east quarter for three days before, which makes it appear that she had been burned a great distance from the land, and probably either from this port or New-York, bound to Europe.

Extract of a letter from Malaga, dated July 5. Mr. Lamb was not received by the dey of Algiers, and obliged to return without being admitted to a negotiation; however, this may take place hereafter through the interpolition of the emperor of Morocco, who we find has at last concluded a peace with the American states, through Mr. Barclay, their agent."

ANNAPOLIS, October 5.

The following is a true copy of the act of the United States in Congress assembled respecting the post office.

By the United States in Congress Afsembled.

September 20, 1786.

ON the report of a committe, confishing of Mr. Pinckney, Mr. Dane, and Mr. Carrington, to whom was referred a letter of the 19th from the post-master general.

Whereas the United States in Congress affembled, are by the articles of confederation, invested with the fole and exclusive right of establishing, and regulating post-offices from one state to another, throughout the United States; and exacting such postage, on the papers paffing through the same, as may be requifite to defray the expences of the faid offices.

And whereas the present situation and demands of the post-office, will on no account admit the receipt of any other money than fpeeie; the paper currencies of the several states from their limited circulation and probable depreciation, being totally inadequate to the purpose,

RESOLVED therefore, That the post-master general be and he is hereby directed to iffue infructions to the post-masters in the several states to receive no other money in payment for post-

age than specie.

RESOLVED, That the post-master general be, and he is hereby empowered, in all cales, where he may conceive it necessary, to demand or authorise the demanding the postage, at the time the letters are put into the postoffice.

September 30, 1786.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on Saturday the 21st of October, by the subscriber, at his dwelling, near the Governor's Bridge,

HE remaining part of the estate of Thomas Tost, deceased, consisting of hosses, cattle, and household surniture, some looms, geers, and slays. The terms of sale to be made known on the day of sale.

All persons having claims against the estate are de-

All persons having claims against the estate are defired to bring them in, on or before the day of fale.

MMEL JACOB, administrator de bonis non.

Sotterley, September 29, 1786. On the first day of November next, will be offered for file, at the fubscribers seat in St. Mary's county, on

Patuxent river,

EVERAL young negro women, boys, and girls.

Credit will be given, on bond and good fecurity. Credit will be given, on bond and good fecurity.
Those negroes are fold for no fault, but the proprietor GEORGE PLATER.

Charles county, September 20, 1786.

FOR SALE,

THE four following tracts of land, lying in Mont-George-tewn, and twenty from Frederick-town, v.z. Conclusion and Number One, adjoining tracts, containing three hundred and fixty acres, about one hundred and fixty acres, about one hundred and fixty acres, about one hundred and fixty of which are cleared land under good fences; the improvements are, a good dwelling house, kitchen. and fifty of which are cleared land under good fences; the improvements are, a good dwelling house, kitchen, barn, &c. aid about four hundred bearing fruit trees. Part of Conclusion Increased, containing two hundred and twenty-nine acres, about eighty of which are cleared land, with a small log dwelling house, &c. and a few Truit trees; and part of Rich Land, containing three hundred and nineteen acres of unimproved land; the foil of the whole of these lands is well adopted for corn foil of the whole of these lands is well adapted for corn, wheat, or tobacco. Cash or tobacco will be taken in wheat, or tonacco. Cash or tonacco will be taken in payment; one fourth to be paid by the first day of March next; three years credit will be given for the other three fourths, on giving bond on interest, with approved security. Any person inclining to purchase may see the land by applying to Mr. Baker Howard, who lives on the first mentioned place.

BENJAMIN REEDER.

Prince George's county, October 2, 1786.
To BE RENTED, For one or more years,

THE plantation whereon I now awell. Any performing inable to real it, may know the terms by applying to Mr. Benjamin Hall. Also negroes to hire.

MARG-REF MURDOCK.

Annapolis, Ctober 4, 786. N Friday afternoon next, and Saturday following, will be shown, in the house belonging to Mr. Jacob Hust, adjoining the ballhouse, a large collection of artificial BIRDS, of many different kinds; the price for teeing them is two shillings each person to be paid at the door; as they are well done, it is hoped, they will give fitisfaction to the gentlemen and laties, who would with to fee them. If any perfon is defirous to purchate them, the owner, perhaps will part with them.

October 3, 1786. OTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be pretented to the general affembly, at their next fession, praying that an act may pass, explanatory of that part of the charter of the city of Annapolis which relates to the residence of the electors or free voters thereof. / No Fundl

NOTICE is hereby gi en, that we intend to take the dipolitions of witnesses to establish the the will of Notley Mandox, lare of Charles county deceased, and to stablish our right to lands devised from him, on Monday the twenty feventh day of No vember next, at the house of Robert D. Semines, in Port-Tobacco-town, of which all persons concerned are defired to take notice.

HENRY MADDOCKE, 7. HAI TENOTLEY MADDUCKE.

RS. SMITH has opened a boarding school for young lades in Annapolis; she teaches drawing, shell work, tambour, open work, embroidery, crowning, shading, netting, and a variety of sine works; likewise plain work, marking and reading. Mrs. Smith will teach her boarders writing and reading French, and she will pay the gre test attention to the health and improvement of the young ladies boarded with her. ed with her.

September, 1786. HE subscriber, not only long ago obtained a deed, which is not yet recorded, from Edmond Blades, then of Queen-Anne's county, for fifty acres of land, then of Queen-Anne's county, for fifty acres of land, out of a tract called Long Range, formerly in Dorchefter, and now in Caroline county, but also had a tract of land surveyed by the name of Casson's Meadows and Vacancy Added, which he has got no patent for, through neglect his reclusion occasioned, he therefore intends to apply to the chancellor of this state, purfuant to the direction of a late act of our general afformable, in order to get his moral right to hoth the said fembly, in order to get his moral right to both the faid parcels of land legally confirmed; neither is more than three miles from Choptank-bridge, and furrounding neighbours know what is now faid about them, by HENRY CASSON.

TAKEN up as a ftray, by Bura fmall dark bay M A R E, about thirteen hands high, neither docked nor branded, appears to have been but little accustomed to riding, eight or nine years old, trots and gallops, has a long hanging mane and switch tail, both of which, as well as her lees, are black: she appears to be with foal. her legs, are black: she appears to be with foal. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

September 30, 1786. A N away, a few days ago, from the subscribers, living in Fairfax county, Virginia, tivo flaves, viz. D1C K, a very suffy well made mulatto fellow, about 25 years of age, has bushy hair or wool, which he generally combs back, large features and eyes, a sum days to the combs and combs. grum down look when spoken to, is a subtle artful fellow, well acquainted both in Virginia and Maryland, beats a drum pretty well, and has been formerly a waiting man; he took with him a light lead coloured country cloth coat with white metal buttons, a fhort green ditto, a white cloth waitcoat, a red ditto faced with black velver, a round hat half worn, and common shoes and steckings; he ran away some time ago, when he worked on board a bay craft, by the name of Tho.

mas Webster.

WAT I, a stout negro fellow, remarkably black, about thi ty sive years of age, has lost some of his teeth before, which in some measure affects his voice, has had cross paths lately shaved on his head, to conceal which it is provable, he will shave or cut close the rest of his head, he is an artful sellow, has a down look, and seems confused when examined; he took with him a brown cloth coar, a pair of black breeches, and a variety of closths not known. They will perhaps change their names and pass for free men, and it is probable they may have a torged pass. They will probable they may have a torged pass. They will probable they may have a forged pass. They will probably make for the eastern shore, or for the state of Delaware or P-nnsylvania. The above reward, or five pounds for either of them, will be paid for delivering them to the subscribers, or for securing them in any gao!, and giving us notice, so that we get them again, and, if brought home, all reasonable charges paid. All captains or skippers of visies, and others, are hereby warned at their peril, from taking them on band or employing them.

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GEORGE MASON,
GEORGE MASON, jun.

General Post-Office.

New York, September 9, 1786.
HE United States in Congress affembled having authorised the post-master general to contract for the carriage of the public mails, for the year 1787, from Portland in the state of Massichu-setts, to Savannah in Georgia, by stage carriages, if practicab e.

NOTICE is hereby given to the proprietors of stage carriages (and any other persons who may have it in contemplation to establish such) that proposals for the ransportation of the mail will be received by the post-master-general, at his office No. 58, Broadway, New-York, at any time before the first day of November next, and that persons inclining to form a contract may be enabled to make their calcula-

tions with greater accuracy, they are informed, that From May 1st to November 1st, the mail must be carried three times in each week, and from November 1st to May 1st twice in each week, to and from each post-office.

It is to be delivered at, and taken from each office at stated hours, convenient for the transaction of mercantile bufiness, by a person who shall travel constantly with the mail, and whose express and sole business it shall be to take care of it. This person shall be employed by either of the contract. ing parties, as may be agreed, and shall carry a way-bill (to be returned to the general post-office) on which each post-master shall note, in writing, the time of the mail's arrival at and departure from

In case of accidents happening to the stage, the mail is to be forwarded fo as to reach each office at the stated hour, at the expence of the proprietor of

A reasonable time after the receipt of the mail by the post-master, is to be allowed for receiving letters and making up another mail to be forwarded. A secure and convenient place in each carriage

must be set apart for the reception of the mail, and appropriated solely to that purpose; this place to be well fecured against rain and snow, and have a good lock and key.

The proprietors of the stages, and their drivers, as well as the person having the charge of the mail, are to be under oath not to carry, or knowingly suffer to be carried in their stages, any letters or news-papers but what they shall deliver into a postoffice: the oaths of the faid persons respectively to be returned to the post-master-general before the contracts commence.

Bond, with two sufficient sureties, to be given for the fulfilment, and penalties annexed to each viclation of the contracts.

No joint contracts will be admitted; but each pro-prietor must contract separately for the distance his stages travel.

Portmanteaus and bags for containing the letters to be furnished at the expence of the United States. The sums agreed upon for carrying the mails, to

be paid in four equal quarterly payments; each payment to be made punctually at the expiration of each

The contracts to commence January 1st, 1787. and continue in force for one year.

And whereas the post-master general is authorised to farm the exclusive right of conveying the mail upon certain cross roads, to any person or persons giving sufficient security for the faithful transportation of the same, for a term not exceeding seven years. The following

CROSS ROADS,

Are now offered, for the above term, to all persons inclined to engage in fach a speculation, from whom

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